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1. At 9 P.M. on 3 July 1951 North Korean officials in Chungguk-ni, Ak Taehyang-myon (unlocated, possibly Taehyang-san, 125-24, 39-30), called a town meeting which was attended by 80 persons. The meeting was addressed for an hour and thirty-four minutes on issues connected with the Kaesong cease-fire negotiations by an unidentified North Korean official.
2. The official emphasized the following points in his discussion of the negotiations and the war:
 - a. It was the United States who actually started the war in Korea, and the vast destruction brought by one year of war is due solely to the imperialistic ambitions of the United States.
 - b. Because of losses, the United States recently proposed a cease-fire agreement, to which the North Korean government had to respond. What the results of the present negotiations will be is not known.
 - c. Meanwhile, the North Korean and Chinese Communist Armies are advancing southward, and have taken under fire many important cities in South Korea.

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